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## Viewing cable 92LIMA4541, GARCIA OPENS HIS PRESIDENTIAL

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### Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
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To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this [WikiSource](#) article as reference.

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
<a href="#">92LIMA4541</a>	<a href="#">1992-03-26 12:14</a>	<a href="#">2011-08-30 01:44</a>	<a href="#">CONFIDENTIAL</a>	<a href="#">Embassy Lima</a>

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	NSCE-00	OMB-01	PA-01	PM-01	PRS-01	P-01	SNP-01
	SP-01	SS-01	TRSE-00	T-01	USIE-00	/042W	
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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6839  
INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
AMEMBASSY LA PAZ  
AMEMBASSY QUITO  
USCINCSO QUARRY HEIGHTS PM

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TAGS: [PGOV](#) [PE](#) [PE](#) [PGOV](#)  
SUBJECT: GARCIA OPENS HIS PRESIDENTIAL  
- CAMPAIGN VOWING NOT TO BE A  
- ...

id: 503  
date: 3/26/1992 12:14  
refid: 92LIMA4541  
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classification: CONFIDENTIAL  
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- CANDIDATE, DECLARES WAR ON FUJIMORI

1. (C) SUMMARY. AT A MARCH 21 PRESS  
CONFERENCE, EX-PRESIDENT ALAN GARCIA CALLED FOR  
A NATIONAL FRONT AGAINST FUJIMORI; HE ALSO RULED  
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OUT HIS RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT IN 1995. GARCIA  
BLASTED ATTEMPTS BY THE FUJIMORI ADMINISTRATION  
TO REOPEN CORRUPTION CHARGES AGAINST HIM. FEW  
IN LIMA BELIEVE THAT GARCIA WILL NOT RUN FOR  
PRESIDENT; IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN HOW MANY ARE  
WILLING TO FOLLOW HIS LEAD INTO A NATIONAL  
ANTI-FUJIMORI FRONT. END SUMMARY.  
REOPENING THE GARCIA CORRUPTION CASE  
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2. (U) THE CATALYST FOR GARCIA'S PRESS  
CONFERENCE WAS THE GOP'S PUBLISHING OF A SUPREME  
DECREE AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITOR GENERAL TO  
REOPEN THE "ILLICIT ENRICHMENT" CHARGES AGAINST  
GARCIA. GARCIA'S LAWYERS IMMEDIATELY HAD A  
LOW-LEVEL JUDGE ISSUE AN INJUNCTION AGAINST  
REOPENING THE CASE ON THE GROUNDS OF DOUBLE  
JEOPARDY. GARCIA TOLD THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT  
THE SUPREME DECREE WAS A "JUDICIAL MONSTROSITY"  
AND THAT IT WAS THE ANSWER BY THE FUJIMORI  
ADMINISTRATION TO GARCIA'S CRITICISM OF GOP  
POLICIES. GARCIA DECLARED IT WAS THE TIME TO  
BREAK THE INFORMAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
PRESIDENT AND APRA AGAINST CRITICIZING THE  
ADMINISTRATION. HE BLAMED FUJIMORI AND SOME OF  
HIS "MILITARY ADVISORS" FOR USING EVEN THE TAX  
OFFICE TO PERSECUTE HIM.

GARCIA CALLS FOR A NATIONAL ANTI-FUJIMORI FRONT  
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4. (U) GARCIA DECLARED THAT FOR THE LAST 18  
MONTHS THE PERUVIAN PEOPLE HAD SUFFERED A PLAGUE  
OF "VICIOUS CAPITALISM" THAT HAD NOT BORN  
CONCRETE RESULTS. HE CHARACTERIZED FUJIMORI'S  
TRIP TO JAPAN AS A COMPLETE FAILURE SINCE THE  
PRESIDENT RETURNED WITH "ONLY USDOLS 20 MILLION  
IN DONATIONS." GARCIA CHARGED THAT BUSINESSMEN  
WHO THAT TRAVEL WITH FUJIMORI DO SO ONLY TO TAKE  
ADVANTAGE OF MONEY TO BE MADE OFF OF ASSISTANCE  
CONTRACTS. GARCIA ADDED THAT THE GULF BETWEEN  
FUJIMORI AND THE CONGRESS IS WIDENING AND THAT  
EVEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE CANNOT GET AN  
APPOINTMENT TO SEE THE PRESIDENT.

5. (U) REFERRING TO FAILURE OF MOTHERS FROM  
THE "GLASS OF MILK" PROGRAM TO SEE A GOP  
REPRESENTATIVE, GARCIA ASKED, "WHAT DANGER DO  
THESE POOR PERUVIAN MOTHERS REPRESENT WHEN THEY  
ONLY ASK FOR BREAD FOR THEIR CHILDREN?" HE  
ALLEGED THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS CUT OFF IN THE

PALACE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF A STRONG ORGANIZED PARTY. THE OPPOSITION WAS COMPOSED OF A RIGHT WHOSE LEADER (MARIO VARGAS LLOSA) HAD LEFT THE COUNTRY, APRA WHICH HAD JUST LEFT OFFICE, AND A FRACTURED LEFT. GARCIA STATED THAT THE ONLY WAY TO OPPOSE FUJIMORI WAS BY FORMING A UNITED FRONT FROM THESE ELEMENTS TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AND PACIFICATION.

"I WILL NOT RUN FOR PRESIDENT"

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16. (U) GARCIA CLAIMED THAT AN IMPEDIMENT TO A SUCCESSFUL OPPOSITION TO FUJIMORI WAS THE CONFLICTING AMBITIONS OF POSSIBLE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES. THE WAY TO SOLVE THIS "CANDIDITITIS" WAS FOR POLITICAL LEADERS TO RENOUNCE RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT. TO SET THE EXAMPLE HE SAID, "I RENOUNCE BEING A CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC IN 1995 TO PAVE THE WAY FOR THE NATIONAL FRONT."

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17. (C) FEW IN LIMA TAKE SERIOUSLY GARCIA'S VOW THAT HE WILL NOT BE A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. LAST MONTH HE PROCLAIMED THAT HE WAS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE APRA

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PARTY. WITHIN TWO WEEKS HE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED THE JOB AFTER THE APRA CONVENTION INSISTED BY ACCLAMATION THAT HE AGREE TO ACCEPT THE HONOR. THE LIKELIHOOD OF HIS ORGANIZING A NATIONAL FRONT AGAINST FUJIMORI IS SLIM. THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ULTRA-LEFT PUM PARTY, A PARTY THAT SHARES THE SUBSTANCE OF MANY OF GARCIA'S CRITICISMS AGAINST FUJIMORI, TOLD POLOFFS THAT "HIS PARTY WOULD NEVER COOPERATE WITH APRA." HE EXPLAINED THAT HE COULD DEAL WITH THE RIGHT BECAUSE HE KNEW THEIR IDEOLOGICAL POSITION, BUT COULD NOT COOPERATE WITH APRA BECAUSE THEY WERE

SIMPLE OPPORTUNISTS. THE OTHER PARTIES MAY BE  
PLAYING THE SAME SONG, BUT THEY ARE HIGHLY  
UNLIKELY TO ACCEPT ALAN GARCIA LEADING THE  
BAND. QUANTON

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